

## CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Wednesday, July 11, 2001

### SENATE

#### Measures Introduced:

**S. 1162.** *A bill to repeal the requirement relating to specific statutory authorization for increases in judicial salaries, to provide for automatic annual increases for judicial salaries, to provide for a 9.6 percent increase in judicial salaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

*"...This legislation would guarantee judges automatic and annual cost-of-living adjustments, COLAs, just like other rank-and-file Federal employees. In addition, the legislation would end a decade of Federal judicial salary neglect by giving judges a one-time salary increase of 9.6 percent. In the past decade, Congress has denied COLAs for judges in four separate years, in 1994, 1995, 1996, and 1998. This bill would restore to Federal justices the four COLAs they have lost..."*

Feinstein

*Pages S 7494, S 7496*

**S. 1164.** *A bill to provide for the enhanced protection of the privacy of location information of users of location-based services and applications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.*

Edwards

*Pages S 7494, S 7497-9*

**S. 1165.** *A bill to prevent juvenile crime, promote accountability by and rehabilitation of juvenile crime, punish and deter violent gang crime, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.*

*"... This is a balanced bill that recognizes the need to get tough on juvenile crime and violence, attempts to break the dangerous link between kids and guns, and, most importantly, puts the Federal Government firmly behind the proposition that preventing juvenile violence is the most effective crime fighting measure any of us could craft..."*

Biden

*Pages S 7494, S 7499-516*

#### H.R. 2217. Interior Appropriations Act:

*Senate began consideration of H.R. 2217, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:*

*Pages S 7441-83, S 7484-90, D 681*

#### Pending:

*Byrd Amendment No. 880, to make a technical correction.*

*Pages S 7459, D 681*

*A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Thursday, July 12, 2001, that the vote in relation to Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 893 occur immediately following the cloture vote scheduled on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 333, Bankruptcy Reform.*

*Pages S 7534, D 681*

#### H.R. 833, Bankruptcy Reform/H.R. 2217, Interior Appropriations' Nelson (FL) Amendment-- Agreement:

*A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the previously ordered debate with respect to the Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 893 to H.R. 2217, Interior Appropriations, occur immediately following the vote on cloture on the motion to proceed to H.R. 333, Bankruptcy Reform; the offering of the substitute amendment; and cloture being filed on that amendment, as under the previous order. Further, that no amendments be in order to the substitute amendment to H.R. 333, prior to the cloture vote on the substitute amendment.*

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**Committee Meetings:**

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on District of Columbia concluded hearings on proposed legislation making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002.

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Foreign Operations concluded hearings to examine the Administration's proposed foreign operations budget request for additional funds for the Andean Regional Initiative and implementation of Plan Columbia as part of the United States counter drug strategy.

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**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine recent scientific advances in genomic research, the development of therapies to treat various illnesses, genetic diseases and birth defects, and finishing the human genome sequence.

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**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** *Committee held hearings to examine existing laws protecting Internet privacy both in the United States and abroad, focusing on the impact privacy legislation may have on the information market.*

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**Committee on Governmental Affairs:** *Committee concluded hearings on S. 803, to enhance the management and promotion of electronic Government services and processes by establishing a Federal Chief Information Officer within the Office of Management and Budget, and by establishing a broad framework of measures that require using Internet-based information technology to enhance citizen access to Government information and services.*

**Committee on the Judiciary:** *Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Roger L. Gregory, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Richard F. Cebull and Sam E. Haddon, each to be a United States District Judge for the District of Montana, and Eileen J. O'Connor, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General for the Tax Division, all of the Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.*

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**Committee Meetings For Thursday, July 12, 2001:**

**Committee on Appropriations:** @ 2:00 p.m. Full Committee, business meeting to mark up **H.R. 2311**, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002; **H.R. 2299**, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal

year ending September 30, 2002; and ***proposed legislation making appropriations for the Legislative Branch*** for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002. S-128, Capitol.

**Committee on the Budget:** @ 10:00 a.m. To hold hearings to examine the current economic and budget situation. SD-608.

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**Committee on the Judiciary:** @ 10:00 a.m. Business meeting to consider the nomination of *Robert D. McCallum, Jr.*, of Georgia, and *Ralph F. Boyd, Jr.*, of Massachusetts, each to be an *Assistant Attorney General*, Department of Justice; **S. 407**, to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for the registration and protection of trademarks used in commerce, in order to carry out provisions of certain international conventions; **S. 778**, to expand the class of beneficiaries who may apply for adjustment of status under section 245(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act by extending the deadline for classification petition and labor certification filings; **S. 754**, ***to enhance competition for prescription drugs by increasing the ability of the Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission to enforce existing antitrust laws regarding brand name drugs and generic drugs.*** SD- 226.

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#### **Committee Meetings Scheduled:**

**Committee on the Judiciary**, 7/17/01 @ 10:00 a.m. To hold hearings on executive branch nominations. SD-226.

**Committee on the Judiciary**, 7/17/01 @ 2:30 p.m. Immigration Subcommittee to hold hearings on **S. 121**, to establish an Office of Children's Services within the Department of Justice to coordinate and implement Government actions involving unaccompanied alien children. SD-226.

**Committee on the Judiciary**, 7/18/01 @ 10:00 a.m. To hold hearings to examine reforming the Federal Bureau of Investigation management reform issues. SD-226.

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions**, 7/18/01 @ 10:00 a.m. Employment, Safety and Training Subcommittee to hold hearings to examine the protection of workers from ergonomic hazards. SD-430.

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**Committee on Indian Affairs**, 7/25/01 @ 10:00 a.m. To hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. SH-216.

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#### **Remarks:**

Nomination Of Robert Mueller (Director of the FBI).

Specter

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FBI Oversight.

Grassley

*Pages S 7536-7*

#### **HOUSE**

#### **Bills Introduced:**

**H.R. 2456.** *A bill to provide that Federal employees may retain for personal use promotional items received as a result of travel taken in the course of employment; to the Committee on Government*

***Reform.***

Burton

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**H.R. 2458.** *A bill to enhance the management and promotion of electronic Government services and processes by establishing a Federal Chief Information Officer within the Office of Management and Budget, and by establishing a broad framework of measures that require using Internet-based information technology to enhance citizen access to Government information and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.*

Turner

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**H.R. 2463.** A bill to *provide limits on contingency fees in health care liability actions*; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Brady

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**H.R. 2472.** A bill to protect children from unsolicited e-mail smut containing sexually oriented advertisements offensive to minors; to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

Lofgren

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**H.R. 2474.** A bill to *amend the Immigration and Nationality Act* to specify that imprisonment for reentering the United States after removal subsequent to a conviction for a felony shall be under circumstances that stress strenuous work and sparse living conditions, if the alien is convicted of another felony after the reentry; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Rohrabacher

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**Reports Filed:**

**Reports were filed as follows:**

**H. Res. 188**, providing for consideration of **H.R. 2356**, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform (House Report 107-135); and

**H. Res. 189**, providing for consideration of **H.J. Res. 36**, *proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States* authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States (House Report 107-136).

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**Committee Meetings:**

**Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government** *approved for full Committee action the Treasury, Postal Service and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 2002.*

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**Committee on Education and the Workforce:** Subcommittee on 21st Century approved for full

Committee action, as amended, **H.R. 1992, *Internet Equity and Education Act of 2001***.

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing on “*The Potential for Discrimination in Health Insurance Based on Predictive Genetic Tests*.”

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**Committee on the Judiciary:** Subcommittee on Courts, The Internet, and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action **S. 487**, Technology, Education, and Copyright Harmonization Act of 2001.

**Committee on the Judiciary:** Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on Law Enforcement and Community Efforts-To Address Crimes Against Seniors.

**Committee on Rules:** Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing two hours of debate in the House on **H.J. Res. 36, *proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States*** authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary.

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**Committee on Ways and Means:** Ordered reported, as amended, **H.R. 7**, Community Solutions Act of 2001.

**Committee on Ways and Means:** Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on the Administration's Budget Proposals.

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**Committee Meetings For Thursday, July 12, 2001:**

**Committee on Financial Services, @ 10:00 a.m.** Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on **H.R. 1701**, Consumer Rental Purchase Agreement Act. 2128 Rayburn. (***Mandatory Arbitration***)

**Committee on Financial Services, @ 2:00 p.m.** Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Internet Gambling. 2128 Rayburn.

**Committee on Government Reform, @ 10:00 a.m.** Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing on Emerging Threats: Methamphetamines. 2154 Rayburn.

**Committee on the Judiciary, @ 1:00 p.m.** Subcommittee on the Constitution, hearing and markup of **H.R. 2175**, Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2001. 2226 Rayburn.

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**Committee Meetings For Thursday, July 12, 2001 (Cont'd.):**

**Committee on the Judiciary, @ 11:00 a.m.** Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on the *Whois Database: Privacy and Intellectual Property Issues*. 2141 Rayburn.

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**Remark:**

**Introduction Of Legislation To Allow Federal Civilian Employees To Retain Frequent Flyer Miles They Receive While Traveling On Official Government Business. (H.R. 2456)**

*"...I am introducing a bill that would assist federal departments and agencies in their efforts to recruit and retain employees. This bill would allow federal civilian employees to keep frequent flyer miles and other promotional benefits they receive while traveling on official government business. Unlike private-sector employees, federal workers are currently prohibited by law from keeping these benefits for personal use..."*

Burton

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**Next SENATE MEETING: Thursday, 9:00 a.m., July 12, 2001.**

**Next HOUSE MEETING: Thursday, 10:00 a.m., July 12, 2001.**

**OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith), J. Homanich**